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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to examination, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please enter the following amended claims:

6. (Amended) The pulse stream of claim 1, characterized in that it is modulated.
11. (Amended) A method according to claim 3 of transmitting a stream of pulses, including sending the pulses and phase modulating each pulse.
12. (Amended) A method according to claim 7 of transmitting a stream of pulses, including sending a stream of pulses at half the pulse frequency with a first phase, sending a stream of pulses at half the pulse frequency with a second phase, and interleaving the two streams of pulses at half the pulse frequency.

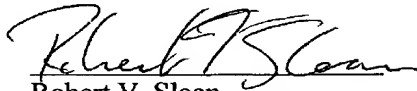
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REMARKS

Entry and consideration of this Amendment is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,



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APPENDIX

VERSION WITH MARKINGS TO SHOW CHANGES MADE

IN THE CLAIMS:

The claims are amended as follows:

6. (Amended) The pulse stream of ~~claims 1 to 5~~claim 1, characterized in that it is modulated.
11. (Amended) A method according to claim 3,~~4 or 5~~ of transmitting a stream of pulses, including sending the pulses and phase modulating each pulse.
12. (Amended) A method according to claim 7,~~8 or 9~~ of transmitting a stream of pulses, including sending a stream of pulses at half the pulse frequency with a first phase, sending a stream of pulses at half the pulse frequency with a second phase, and interleaving the two streams of pulses at half the pulse frequency.